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ASSISTANCE TO MP FROM NCCF
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Madhya Pradesh has submitted a memorandum to the UnionGovernment to tackle the drought situation prevailing in the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government have sanctioned any funds to the State from the National Calamity Contingency Fund (NCCF) so far;

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not the reasons for the delay;

(e) whether the drought affected areas of Madhya Pradesh have been identified on the basis of sowing of Kharif crop;

(f) whether Rabi Crop has also been affected due to reduction in area of the crop and non- availability of water in time;

(g) whether the Government are considering any scheme to give input subsidy and other assistance to the State for Rabi crop affected areas in addition to drought affected areas; and

(h) if so, the time by which input subsidy is likely to be given to the State?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) to (d): The Memorandum seeks assistance of Rs.253.84 crore from the National CalamityContingency Fund (NCCF).It has been considered by the Inter-Ministerial Group, in the light of thereport of the Central Team. A final view in the matter has to be taken by the High LevelCommittee. It may also be added that the State Government has ready availability of funds toincur relief expenditure from its Calamity Relief Fund (CRF).

(e): The State Government declares areas affected by drought taking into account various factors.

(f): No details are available.

(g)&(h): Under the items and norms of assistance for expenditure out of Calamity ReliefFund (CRF) and National Calamity Contingency Fund (NCCF), input subsidy is admissible to small& marginal farmers whose crop loss is 50% and above. Farmers are also entitled to compensation for damaged crops, under the National Agricultural Insurance Scheme (NAIS).